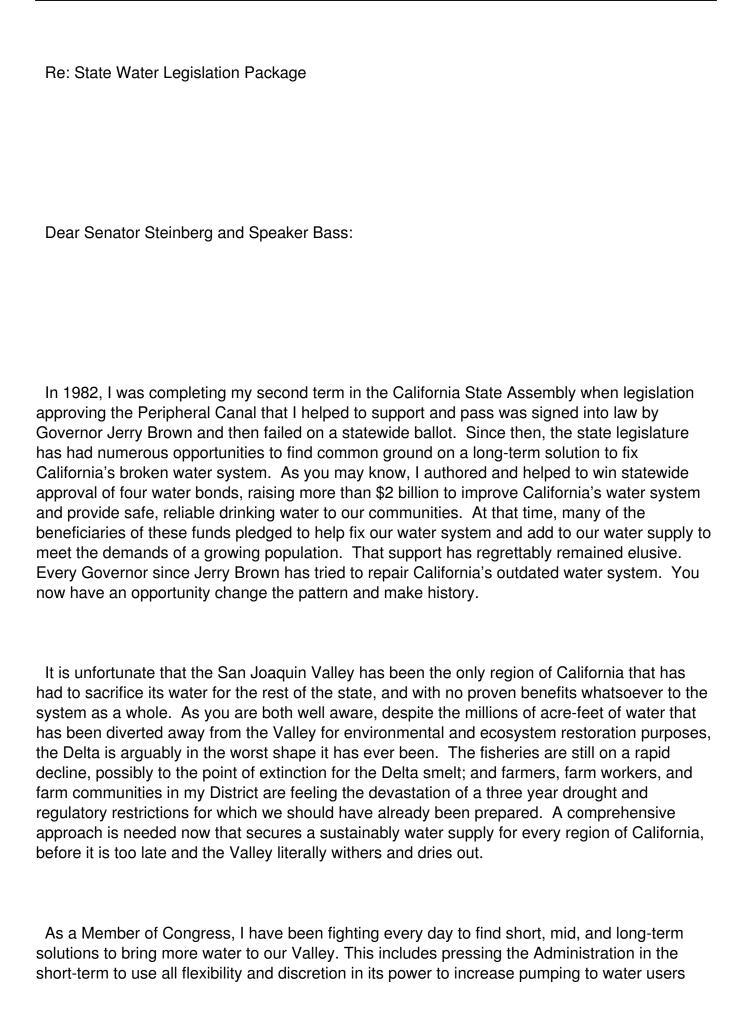
The Time Is Now For California To Pass A Water Package Including Storage, Conveyance And Long-Term Water Plans

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) sent a letter to the California State Senate and Assembly urging both chambers take the lead and craft a robust water package to improve California's broken water system. The text of the letter is below. Please click here to view a copy of the letter.

October 29, 2009	
The Honorable Darrell Steinberg	The Honorable Karen Bass
President pro Tempore	Speaker
California State Senate	California State Assembly
State Capitol	State Capitol
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south of the Delta, to approve transfers expeditiously, and to fast-track projects such as Two-Gates and the Intertie, which can facilitate this process and enhance our water supply. In the long-term, we must continue to work on the federal level to modify the Endangered Species Act and provide funding so that infrastructure projects like these can keep moving forward.

At the same time, we need to fix the Delta and build more storage capacity. The state must take the lead in these efforts and push for a robust water package that includes funding for storage and conveyance, along with a viable long-term plan to restore our broken plumbing system. Your leadership is desperately needed to ensure that we do not miss another opportunity like we did in 1982. I look forward to seeing decisive action from the state legislature in working to finalize a water package as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued efforts on this issue.
Sincerely,
JIM COSTA
Member of Congress

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